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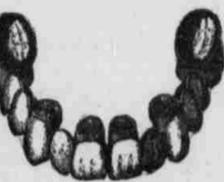
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PRESIDENT STEYN

Makes a Modest Official Report of the Victory at Stormburg

British Officers May Eat Goose at Pretoria, But it Will Be as Prisoners of War -- Cronje More Than Holds His Own at Modder River -- Mystery of the British Defeat at Stormburg Still Unexplained -- Prisoners in Boer Hands -- Repulse will Delay the Invasion of the Orange Free State

By Associated Press to the Journal.

Pretoria, Sunday, President Steyn has sent the following details of the fight at Stormburg:

"The British, with six cannon, attacked the Boers under Swanspool and Oliver, and stormed the Boer's positions. After a severe fight they were compelled to surrender. The prisoners are Major Sturges, six officers and 230 non-commissioned officers and men of the North Umberlands, and two officers and 250 non-commissioned officers and men of the Irish Fusiliers. It is impossible to state the number of dead and wounded of the British. The Boers captured three cannon and two ammunition wagons."

Comment of the London Press.

Mail: "Quite apart from the loss of 900 fighting men, the unexpected Boer success will probably cause a more general and serious movement among the Cape Dutch. The government must promptly face this by the immediate dispatch of further troops."

General Gatacre has suffered is a a sadly emphatic commentary on the peculiar difficulty of military operations in a semi-disaffected country. The enemy's spies are everywhere and nowhere can we rely confidently on any counter-information. General Gatacre seems to have been completely trapped. Of course, he will be immediately reinforced."

"There is only too much reason for fear that this is the worst illustration we have had yet in inadequate equipment and insufficient scouting. How far this disaster was due to lack of judgment on the spot, and how far to lack of artillery, is not quite clear. But the patient public cannot help reading that General Methuen's victory at Modder river was won by artillery reinforcement at the critical moment, and all they would like to know is how many times this particular lesson is to be learned."

Standard: "The event is in the highest degree deplorable. It will tell against us unfavorably in the Free State, among the colonial Dutch, and even among the natives. A great deal of evidence has been accumulating during the past week to show how deeply the colony, or at least the northern and western portions of it, is honeycombed by dissatisfaction. Our generals have to cope with a rebel colony as well as hostile republics, and must take measures to lay their plans in accordance with the details."

A Signal Defeat.

A dispatch from London says: The British forces in South Africa have met with a signal defeat. This sensational news was officially announced from the war office at midnight. General Gatacre admitted that he had met with a serious reverse in an attack yesterday morning on Stormburg, in

GLOOM IN ENGLAND

Boer Strength in Cape Colony Underestimated -- Making Short of Rations

By Associated Press to the Journal.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Almost entire absence of news from the theatre of war increases public anxiety. Scanty messages seem to indicate that preparations are about completed for simultaneous attacks at Tugela river and Modder river. There is no confirmation of the report of another battle at Modder river Monday. News reached here from Boer sources, that the Washbank bridge was damaged. There is great indignation in England at the ignorance the British intelligence bureau is displaying in estimating the Boer's strength in Cape Colony. Experts aver that 15,000 Boers will have to be driven out of Cape Colony before the passage of the Orange river can be commenced.

Latest news from Mafeking shows that Col. Baden-Powell has been forced to reduce rations of his garrison and of the inhabitants, but that water is plentiful.

PORTLAND FIRE

Ten Thousand Dollar Loss -- The McDaniel Murder Case

By Associated Press to the Journal.

PORTLAND, Dec. 12.—A fire this morning in a two-story frame building at 122 to 128 Sixth street caused a loss estimated at \$10,000, with small insurance. The buildings were completely gutted. The firms burned out were Electric Laundry office, Unique Tailoring Co., the Bell-Herrin Photograph Co., Phillips Trunk Factory, Coursen Computing Scale Co., Lee's Bicycle repair shop, Economy Gas Lamp Co., and a small restaurant. The building was owned by Drs. R. A. and E. C. Brown.

Murder Trial.

PORTLAND, Dec. 12.—The state concluded its evidence in the McDaniel trial this morning and rested case.

General Methuen's army is known to have been heavily reinforced at Modder River with infantry, cavalry and artillery, while General Wauchope's Highland brigade has largely increased the number of bayonets available for a frontal attack. The necessity for this costly method of warfare has been obviated by the presence of a full brigade of cavalry, commanded by General Babington.

The Spa

INCREASED LOSSES.

Shown by the Official Report of General Gatacre.

By Associated Press to the Journal.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The war office has received the following from Capetown: Gatacre reports as follows: "The idea to attack Stormburg seemed to promise certain success but the distance was under estimated by myself and local guides. We were marching



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NATIONAL POLITICS

Currency Debate In Congress Will Require Night Sessions

More Senators With Shadows on Their Titles -- Quay May Have to Have Democratic Help -- Jones, of Washington, Wants a Cable Commission -- Taylor Inaugurated -- Kentucky Democrats Will Contest Before Legislature

Currency Debate.

By Associated Press to the Journal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The debate on the currency bill continued today. Richardson, minority leader, asked that night sessions be held for the remainder of the week, out this was demurred to and it was finally agreed that a night for debate be held next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Governor of Ohio was the first speaker today.

Shady Senators.

By Associated Press to the Journal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—In the senate resolutions authorizing the committee on privileges and elections to proceed with the investigation of the election to the senate of Clark of Montana, and Scott of West Virginia, adopted.

Will Fight Bynum.

By Associated Press to the Journal.

New York, Dec. 12.—A special to the Times from Washington says: Some of the Democratic senators have intimated that they will resist the confirmation of William B. Bynum, as a member of the board of general appraisers at New York. Mr. Bynum, who participated in the campaign with the Palmer and Buckner Democrats, is less acceptable to Democrats than a lifelong Republican.

Quay Dubious.

By Associated Press to the Journal.

New York, Dec. 12.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: Apathy among Senator Quay's friends is making the outlook rather ominous for seating him. Chandler and Penrose appear to be the only persons doing active canvassing in his behalf.

One of the plans his friends are talking about is to induce a sufficient number of Mr. Quay's Democratic friends to absent themselves on the day the final vote is taken, and in this way assure a majority vote in his favor.

Cable Commission

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Jones of Washington, introduced a bill in the house

Chicago, December 12.—May 69; cash 85.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Cash 97 1/2

On Guard

The warning cough is the faithful sentinel. It tells of the approach of consumption, which has killed more people than war and pestilence combined. It tells of painful chest, sore lungs, weak throat, bronchitis, and pneumonia. Do not suffer for another day. It is useless, for there's a prompt and safe cure. It is

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which cures fresh colds and coughs in a single night and cures chronic coughs and bronchitis in a short time. Consumption is surely and certainly prevented, and cured, too, if taken in time. A 25c bottle for a fresh cold; 50c size for older colds; \$1 size for chronic coughs and consumption.

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Men's suits and coats, smoking jackets, mackintoshes, umbrellas, bath-rubbers, ties, suspenders, handkerchiefs, mufflers, underwear, gowns, collars, cuffs, jewelry, neckties, canes, dress shirts, gloves, mittens, pyjama suits, all make useful presents.

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